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- 1) Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement
- 2) Form PTO-1449
- 3) Copies of International Search Report in Intl. Appln. No. EP 97112628.9 (4pgs)
- 4) (6) references (AA-AF)
- 5) Two Return Postcards

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The references cited on attached form PTO-1449 are being called to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the references are enclosed. These references were cited in the International Search Report (copy enclosed) in the corresponding International Application No. EP 97112628.9. It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

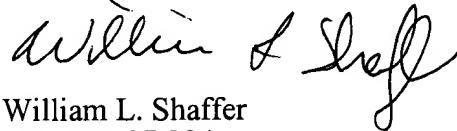
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